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SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS/UGANDA--VISIT OF ASYG FOR SPECIAL POLITICAL
QUESTION, ABDULRAHIM A. FARAH

REF: CRAWFORD/MATTESON TELECONS

1. IN RESPONSE TO DEPT'S REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON THE
VISIT OF ASYG FARAH TO UGANDA AS A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE SYG, MISSOFF DISCUSSED THE FARAH VISIT WITH A
REP FROM THE OFFICE OF THE USYG FOR POLITICAL AND GA
AFFAIRS (BUFFUM).

2. THE FARAH MISSION WAS SUCCESSFUL IN THE SENSE THAT
FARAH WAS RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT AMIN AND HAD DISCUSSIONS
WITH OTHER SENIOR OFFICIALS IN THE UGANDA GOVERNMENT.
FARAH WAS ACCOMPANIED BY UGANDA'S PERMREP KHALID
KINENE. THE MISSION DID NOT, HOWEVER, RESULT IN
ANY CONCRETE DECISIONS AS TO WHAT THE NEXT STEP WOULD BE.
AMIN AGREED TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH THE SYG BUT THERE
WAS NO SPECIFIC DECISION AS TO THE TIME, PLACE, OR CON-
TENT OF ANY FUTURE CONTACT.

3. FARAH WAS CHOSEN FOR THE MISSION BECAUSE OF PRE-
VIOUS PERSONAL ACQUAINTANCE WITH PRESIDENT AMIN. HE
WAS REPORTEDLY SOMEWHAT APPREHENSIVE ABOUT THE VISIT
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AND WE SUSPECT THAT THE DISCUSSIONS DID NOT PROBE TOO
DEEPLY INTO THE SUBSTANCE OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUA-
TION IN UGANDA.

4. FARAH'S TALKING POINTS, PREPARED BY BUFFUM'S
OFFICE, INCLUDED INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE CLEAR THAT THIS
VISIT WAS THE RESULT OF AN INITIATIVE TAKEN BY THE SYG

AND WAS NOT LINKED TO THE DISCUSSIONS WHICH TOOK PLACE
AT THE FEBRUARY-MARCH SESSION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS
COMMISSION. FARAH ASSURED AMIN THAT THE SYG WOULD
OBSERVE THE PRINCIPLE OF CONFIDENTIALITY WITH RESPECT
TO THE SUBSTANCE OF THE DISCUSSIONS AND THE UN PRESS
RELEASE OF 29 APRIL 1977 (SG/SM/2439) PERTAINING TO
THE FARAH VISIT WAS CAREFULLY WORKED OUT IN ADVANCE
WITH THE UGANDAN GOVERNMENT.
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